

## **William Hull 1788-Unknown**

William was the last son of Richard Hull and his children were all born in the Mulkeeragh Townland where Richard probably lived. He married a Anne Beauville which could have been Nancy Bokel-gailic translation. They had three children:

Charlotte Hull 123 April 1823

Henry Hull 15 October 1818

John Hull 01 January 1821

This John Hull their third son is the one the following research is directed towards: I am including this information to help with future discoveries. As of this time-May 2011 I don't know the true lines for John, William and the Callahans.

These letters are to and from a June Hill of Scotland to myself: Dan Hull

27 Jan 2010

Hi Dan,

I'm fairly new to the maternal side of my tree, (I only started researching properly over the festive period), but was immediately struck by the Hill/Hull change between Scotland and Ireland.

Unfortunately, UK census material doesn't denote areas of origin within other countries e.g. a Scot living in England, would have only the word Scotland entered, an Irish person in Scotland, the word Ireland etc., so it's a bit of a struggle on the internet to find the relevant areas in Ireland , particularly if the surname is well known/used.

My 2x great grandma Elizabeth Jane Hill married fellow Irishman, John Smith in Cambusnethan (Wishaw) in Scotland, in 1876, and my great grandmother was born in Scotland the following year. Elizabeth Jane's sister, Margaret, coincidentally married David Smith (John's brother) in Ireland in 1869.

See what I mean about common names.... Smith!!!

I'll forward on the documentation I have ASAP.

I'm looking forward to seeing whatever info you have.

Speak to you soon.

June

20 Jan 2010

Hi Dan,

Cynthia sent me an e-mail through Ancestry suggesting that I contact you, regarding my Hill family possible Hull family connection.

3 x great grandparents John Hill, wife Jane nee Callaghan moved to Scotland, sometime in the 1880's (best guess), from Ireland, following on to 2 of their daughters who had married and settled there.

I have evidence that at least 2 other of their children moved to, married and settled in Scotland.

So what,.....

John Hill was the son of William Hill and Agnes Boyle.

IGI records, including those extracted from the local records, suggest that the family name was in fact Hull and that they originated in Co. Londonderry

e.g. Marriage of John Hull and Jane Callaghan 21 Sep 1846 Balteagh Parish, Londonderry

Birth of Richard Hull to John Hull and Jane Callahan on 23 Oct 1865 Newtown Limavady, Londonderry

These records coupled with William Hull /Nancy Bokel or Anne Beauville variations (Gaelic for Boyle is Baoghill approx) and family names such as William, Richard and Charlotte have led me to investigate further . (One obvious leap in the dark would be to link it to William b 1788 son of Richard

b 1750, but I need to prove and bridge that gap first!!!)

Do any of these details ring a bell, or fit in with what you know?

Have you any knowledge of John and Jane's other children e.g. William b.1846 etc.?

For that matter, do you have any knowledge of this likely Scots connection?

I hope that you can make sense of this info.

Incidentally, I'm (obviously female) but from the female line in any case.

I'd need to find a modern day Hill descendant of John Hill b 1854 who lived and died in Scotland (my 2 x great grandma's brother) for DNA purposes.

Hope this reaches you.

Regards,

June

3-13-2010

Hi Dan,

Apologies for the delay in replying, a combination of factors.

Anyway I'm still looking for a male Hill from the male line this end.

Documentation from various sources (Scotlands people, Ancestry and family search) has now been put into a pdf format, and I have attached them for you to have a look at.

I've also included some possibilities on the William Hill & Agnes Boyle front which I mentioned before . (Bearing in mind that Nancy is a form of Agnes and that the Gaelic spelling for Boyle is Baoghill. NB Scots tend to pronounce a "gh" like a "ch" )

You'll also notice that the surname Callaghan is spelled in a number of ways on the Hill documentation. Again the Gaelic spelling is Caellachain.

I hope you can make some sense of all of this. (I'll probably send 2 batches)

Speak to you soon.

June

June,

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010

I am writing this epistle to let you know what I know or don't know or both.

I have been researching John Hull, the son of Thomas Hull 1st. John Hull was listed as being born in 1810 by Cynthia Hull of Australia but the old Hull records in Utah say he was born closer to 1801. He was married to Margaret Jane Quigley and they had four sons the first being William then John, Robert and James. John decided in order to support his family that he would with go to Australia in the mid-18 50s and work in the gold fields in the Bendigo District. He went there supposedly with his brother James. It was reported by Cynthia that John died there in the gold fields and in his will it mentions his wife Margaret Jane who was living in Dungiven, Ireland. Cynthia also mentioned that they cannot find in any of the ship manifests the children of John especially John and James. If he and his brother never immigrated to Australia then this would be a reason why there are no ship records.

In researching the records at Limavady we found the marriage records of John marrying Jane Callaghan on September 21, 1846. He is listed as being 24 at the time and she is 18. Her father isn't listed but John's father is listed as John Hull which if you try to figure about 20 years before you would probably say he was born about 1800 which matches up with John the son of Thomas 1<sup>st</sup>. It also lists John's address on the marriage record as Drumsurn. John, the father

occupation was a laborer and the son's occupation was a shoemaker.

In a record found in Limavady we see a Margaret Jane Hull, a widow, marrying a William Greaves on Jan 12, 1860. His age is 25, a carpenter and he is from the Magheraboy Parish in Dungiven. James Greaves is listed as his father and James Quigley is listed as her father. Thomas Hull and Mary Benson lived in the small townland of Magheraboy along with Peter Benson and his family just before they immigrated to Scotland. James Quigley is also listed there and his family originated just across the road from Magheraboy. This area is just a couple of miles from the Hillfoot Farm.

We also found the marriage record of a Margaret Hull, the son of John Hull-a shoemaker, marrying David Smith on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1869. This would fit her being the son of John Hull the son of John, the son of Thomas. It sounds right because her name is Margaret the same as her mother. It also says that Margaret is from Drumsurn.

In a letter written in 1947 from James Hull of Limavady he states that his grandfather was John Hull and he married a Jane Cahon or more likely this Jane Callaghan.

In another letter dated 1964 a John H Hull wrote saying that his Great Grandfather was from Drumsurn and the family legend says they descended from Richard Hull through this same line of John and his father John. They did say a date but this date would be closer to his Great Grandfather than Richard.

There is a marriage record from Limavady that lists a Richard S Hull marrying a Margaret Scullion in 4/1/1886 at a full age and Richard S's father is listed as Richard Hull a labourer and this is recorded in the Aghanloo Parish or Anlow.

Recently we have been in contact with some Hulls from Limavady area who are probably the latest descendents of this same line. We first visited a few families in Limavady who said they originated from Limavady and they didn't know too far back but they

knew of a cousin in Florida by the name of Hill who had researched quite a few Hulls because their name was Hull until they arrived on the boat in Liverpool and they mistakenly listed them as Hill instead of Hull. We contacted them and they have sent their history and line and they descend from the John Hull in Drumsurn also. At that time I concluded that there is a high probability that the family of Hulls in Limavady that descend from the Johns and James are related to our family of Dungiven. We asked Jim Hill to do the DNA test and he agreed. The test came back and he tested not related to us only about 750 years ago. This didn't match our assumptions so either someone in his line had broken the chain or we aren't related.

Now more history about the Hulls and the Limavady area.

Richard and Thomas lived first at Mulkeeragh and this is just two or three miles from Drumsurn and about four from the Hull Hillfoot farm. In those days, the closer the more likely they are related. I believe that as each generation got married and needed more room they would go to the closest farm that was available and thus Thomas moved from Mulkeerah to Ballmakeever and John from there to Drumsurn and John might have even not ever lived at Ballymakeever. Then those Hulls in Drumsurn moved up to Limavady as they needed more space and so the slow migration.

In reviewing the old records of the area we found the Protestant House Holders Index at the PRONI and in it we have found under the Anlow Parish townlands a Thomas Hull living in the Ballymony townland and near him in townlands of Bellycartan a James McAtear and in Artkelly a Janl McAtear and a Edward McMullan and a Thomas McMullan and in Carbullion a William McMullan.

The McAtear name is the name of Richards second daughter's husband Marie (James McAtear) and McMullen is the last name of Richard's first daughter's husband (Robert McMullen). My guess is that this Thomas could be the father of Richard and that these families lived near each other and their

children married each other. Being that Richard had a son and a grandson by the name of Thomas then this Thomas could very well be the father of Richard. The only problem with this theory is that Thomas was in the Anlow parish in 1840 and Thomas, the son of Richard, supposedly was born in Antrim. In order for my theory to work a gradual migration from the Belfast area over to Antrim, Anlow, Mulkeeragh, Ballymakeever the Magheraboy would need to be the progression or movement. I wouldn't have any basis for Thomas to be born in Antrim unless the county is the actual place of birth and not the city of Antrim and the boundaries of the county of Antrim included the Limavady area back in the 1780's.

While I was in Dungiven 7 or 8 years ago I collected the parish records for Bovevagh, Dungiven and Scriggan Presbyterian Churches which were the parish churches my Hull family attended and where they had their children baptized and where most of them were married. In the Bovevagh records we find that a John Hull is the baptized son of William Hull and Anne Beauville on 19<sup>th</sup> of Feb. 1821 and he was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1821. They list their residence as Mulkeeragh. He also has another son named Henry who was born three years earlier and baptized on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October 1818.

William also has another child a Charlotte Hull with Anne Beauville on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 1823 in Mulkerah. I think they misspelled Mulkerah. It should have been Mulkeeragh.

My family records say that William was also married to Nancy Bokel but their marriage is not listed in the Bovevagh records. The Bovevagh record doesn't start until 1818 and Henry was born that year. The record does not list a mother for Henry.

I would have to assume that Nancy could have been the first wife and he had Henry, John and Charlotte with Anne Beauville later. The census of 1851 lists the John Hull married to a Jane Hull as being 28 or born at 1823. They have a son named William. His marriage recorded at the registrar's office lists him being born in 1822. Both put the events of Marriage and their census as Drumsurn.

The big question is who is John Hull's father. From the Bovevagh documents this could be William. Reviewing Jim Hill's DNA test I am unsure. Using the registrar's document of John Hull's marriage to Jane Callahan his father is listed as John Hull not William. We could very well have two different Johns who aren't connected like we think.

June, I am sorry to go through all of this and to honestly not know. One of the ways to test our problem is to have another DNA test to verify Jim Hill's result or a match to my line. We tried to get another family member to test and so far no one will do it. If you could get someone to participate from you Scottish family that would probably give us a clear result. Even when we have paper lineage sometimes the lines aren't correct and the DNA changes the ending.

I can only conclude that there are at least these three choices.

1. That your family descends from John Hull who married Jane Callahan and was the son of John Hull who was the son of Thomas Hull whose father was Richard 1750. This John (second) married Margaret Jane Quigley and died in the gold fields of Bendigo.
2. That your family descends from John Hull who married Jane Callahan and was the son of a John Hull who was the brother of William mentioned above and thus the son of Richard Hull 1750. This John was born around 1782 according to my family chart.
3. That your family descends from John Hull who married Jane Callahan and who was the son of a John Hull not related to my family but who lived very close by. He could have been a descendent of a William and Agnes but his most direct relative according to the Registrar's official record is a John Hull as his father.

A new DNA test through your family should help us connect one of the three choices.

If you are willing or can find someone who is willing then let me know and I will order the test kit and have it sent to them. We have some family funds to pay for the test.

If you don't understand any of this please let me know. I am attaching a file that shows all of the documents that I have that have to do with this particular line.

Dan Hull

Letter that was received by AC Hull from a Hull in Port Rush, Northern Ireland that must have the same line. John and a Jane Cahon>

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Drumreighland, Limavady  
Co. Derry  
N. Ireland

November 30, 1947

Mr. Alvin C. Hull, Jr.  
913 East Jefferson  
Boise, Idaho

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter received some time ago by Limavady Post Office, I have had intimation and would be very glad to give any information which you might require in connection with relationship.

*Drumsum*

My father's name is also James, and my grandfather's was John. They belonged to Drumsun, Co. Derry. My grandmother's maiden name was Jane Cahon.

I shall be very glad to hear from you at your earliest.

Wishing you a Happy Christmas.

Yours truly,

James Hull

*Follow-up letters did not get a reply from this man. I am going to try again - do you have comments*

*I'd give these names & dates to Gen Library & let them see what they can find, afraid his B. F. John couldn't go far and back yet this John could be a brother of Richards or Melie Richards if the not hearing from this James it would be hard to write & adv in local paper also write P. office to give letter to a Hull or relative - mother usually send a \$ bill for adv in news paper & have gotten good results many times*